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## Mexico and U.S. Poultry Safeguards

In January, 2003 Mexico placed an emergency tariff on chicken leg quarters. Mexico allowed 50,000 metric tons of chicken leg quarters to enter Mexico duty free for six months with a temporary safeguard tariff of 98.8 percent on additional leg quarters. All other U.S poultry exports continued to enter Mexico duty free.

On July 25, 2003 Mexico officially published terms of a new U.S.-Mexico safeguard agreement on chicken leg quarters. The safeguards on chicken leg quarters will be in effect through December 31, 2007. The tariff level will be 98.8 percent, the NAFTA level in 2001, but will be reduced annually until it reaches zero in January 2008. Mexico also agreed to liberalize restrictions on other poultry products entering the country in the agreement and dropped the requirement for the hemagglutination inhibition (HI) test.

For the remainder of this year the U.S. can export 46,950 metric tons of leg quarters at zero import duty and the total quota is set at 100,000 metric tons annually.

Currently, the governments of Mexico and the U.S. are negotiating details on market access and the enforcement of sanitary measures, in order to finish the definitive special safeguard on chicken legs and quarters imported from the U.S. When market access to the U.S. market becomes available, Mexico would be able to export US\$60 million annually in chicken meat and US\$24 million in fresh eggs.

In 2002 Mexico was the third-leading export market for U.S. poultry in terms of volume, following Russia and Hong Kong.

## U.S. Chicken Exports to Mexico in metric tons

	January - May		May	
	2002	2003	2002	2003
Fresh/Chilled, cuts and offal	37,545	26,393	5,168	6,304
Frozen legs, excl. leg quarters	5,213	1,354	809	176
Frozen other	24,983	22,947	3,036	5,464
Frozen offal	0	111	0	74
Frozen wings, wing tips and parts	7	24	0	0
Mechanically separated chicken	73	71	1	34
Frozen leg quarters	8,881	6,402	1,818	1,417
Total	76,703	57,303	10,832	13,469

## U.S. Poultry Exports to Mexico

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Metric Tons	233,661	232,468	263,915	269,308	228,359
'000 Dollars	211,172	182,340	219,912	236,486	154,494

Source: USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service, Department of Commerce, news services

## Japanese Imports of Frozen Egg Products

	Frozen Whole Eggs	Frozen Yolks	Frozen Albumen	Total
<b>2002</b>				
January	242.5	765.3	96.6	1,104.4
February	220.8	635.4	54.4	910.6
March	236.1	283.0	96.6	615.7
April	221.1	1,379.6	54.4	1,655.1
To date	920.5	3,063.3	302.0	4,285.8
<b>2003</b>				
January	292.0	819.5	28.3	1,139.8
February	201.5	875.3	-	1,076.8
March	202.4	1,290.3	18.1	1,510.8
April	231.7	960.7	-	1,192.4
To date	927.6	3,945.8	46.4	4,919.8

Source: ALIC Monthly Statistics

## Guatemala

All Federally inspected establishments are eligible to export to Guatemala. Restrictions on poultry and poultry products for export to Guatemala have been posted to the FSIS Library of Export Requirements. Poultry and poultry products from birds raised or processed in the Newcastle disease quarantine zone established by the States of California, Nevada, Arizona, and Texas are ineligible. Consult the following websites for information on the current area of the quarantine zones:

California: [http://www.cdffa.ca.gov/ahfss/ah/Newcastle\\_info.htm](http://www.cdffa.ca.gov/ahfss/ah/Newcastle_info.htm)

Nevada: <http://agri.state.nv.us/END.htm>

Arizona: <http://www.agriculture.state.az.us/newcastle.htm>

Texas: [http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/animal\\_health/diseases/end/end.shtml](http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/animal_health/diseases/end/end.shtml)

## U.S. Poultry Exports to Guatemala, in metric tons

	Jan-May 2002	Jan-May 2003	May 2002	May 2003
Chicken, frozen, cut	17,321.0	22,677.8	3,194.8	4,696.6
Chicken, frozen, whole	116.9	861.4	19.3	436.6
Turkey, frozen, cut	158.9	537.9	30.0	125.9
Turkey, frozen, whole	0	15.7	0	5.8
Turkey, fresh, whole	0	8.4	0	0
Turkey, fresh, cut	0	4.9	0	0
Duck, frozen, cut	6.2	0.9	0	0.3
Chicken, fresh whole	19.3	0	19.3	0
Total	17,622.4	24,106.9	3,263.5	5,265.2

Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics; USDA, Foreign Agriculture Service; USDA, Food Safety Inspection Service

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending July 19, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002/1	2003	2002
Liquid	362	297	9,186	10,670
Frozen	0	0	96	21
Dried	55	0	326	328
Total	417	297	9,608	11,019

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending July 19, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002/1	2003	2002
Liquid	148	23	3,308	3,682
Frozen	30	45	1,760	2,011
Dried	17	99	858	3,086
Total	195	167	5,926	8,779

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending July 19, 2003	Year-To-Date			
	2003	2002 /1	2003	2002
Jumbo	0	0	256	1,161
Extra Large	750	1,292	13,557	15,134
Large	2,828	1,319	56,603	73,893
Medium	2,321	1,140	38,069	29,406
Ungraded	1,400	0	45,626	172,235
Misc	0	0	3,852	12,282
Total	7,299	3,751	157,963	304,111

Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 19-Jul-03

(PRELIMINARY)

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	1,141	1,642	2,783
LAST WEEK	1,153	1,515	2,668
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,589	1,576	3,165
TO-DATE/2003	46,181	39,648	85,829
TO-DATE/2002	51,299	38,964	90,263

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	366	8	374
LAST WEEK	326	0	326
SAME WEEK YR AGO	236	79	315
TO-DATE/2003	7,434	108	7,542
TO-DATE/2002	9,180	148	9,328

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,507	1,650	3,157
LAST WEEK	1,479	1,515	2,994
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,825	1,655	3,480
TO-DATE/2003	53,615	39,756	93,371
TO-DATE/2002	60,479	39,112	99,591

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BR.

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

25-JUL-2003				
CHICKEN				
PRICES VOLUME				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT

CONTENT				
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

PRICES VOLUME				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT

CONTENT				
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	11.00-17.00	122,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		13.67		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.00-18.00	10.00-16.00	3,488,400	1,489,200
WTD AVERAGE	16.20	12.72		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	11.00	20,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

25-JUL-2003				
CHICKEN				
PRICES VOLUME				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT

CONTENT				
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

PRICES VOLUME				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT

CONTENT				
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.50	17.00	80,000	40,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.50	17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	12.00-17.00	10.50-16.00	1,800,000	480,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.88	13.09		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	11.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 JULY 2003.**

Domestic markets were fairly quiet. Inquiries centered on less than trucklot volumes for prompt shipment. Supplies of parts were balanced and the market tone was generally steady. Bulk breast meat and trims were available however buyer interest was lacking. Less than trucklot volumes of tails traded at 19-20 cents delivered. Export trading was moderate. Supplies of thigh meat were in a closer balance and sellers expressed more confidence in market values. A fair volume of open priced mechanically separated turkey was booked for shipment through August.

**FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2003****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	26.00		26.00	160	25.38	564
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	19.00		19.00	104	17.87	424
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		R	15.83	380	15.83	380
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	17.00		17.00	120	17.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	49.50-52.00		50.72	548	50.48	978

**THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2003****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	25.15	364
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	17.75	216
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	15.25-18.00		15.83	380
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	17.50	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	51.00-52.00		51.40	134

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2003****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.50-26.00		25.15	364
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	17.50-18.00		17.75	216
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	17.50	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	49.00-50.00		49.64	296

**TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2003****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00		25.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	17.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	23.05	520
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	17.50	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	51.70	200

**MONDAY, JULY 21, 2003****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	25.70	100
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	17.00		17.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	23.05	520
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		F	17.50	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	51.70	200

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.